THE SOCIAL WORLD.

The Custom Permitting Maidens to Propose an Ancient One .-- Where

It Was Born.

PLEASANT LOCAL EVENTS

The Pioneer Club Gives a Pleasant Dance, Which is Numerously Attended-Straw Rides and Pleasant Socials.

With the advent of the new year departs the privilege of the maiden to make a choice and request that "choice" to buy her gowns and pay for her chewing gum, not a small item, sometimes. The ladies, now, who have neglected the opportunities afforded them these 366 days, what shall be said of them? Perhaps something better

than of the girl who did take advantage of leap year to propose. An interesting item printed not long since shows the superstition or custom to be old, centuries old. It is this: "A law enacted in 1288 by the parliament of Scotland, is as follows: It is statut and ordaint that during the reine of maist blessit magestie, ilk fourth year, ilk maiden lady of baith high and low estait shall has liberty to bespeak ye man she likes; albeit, gif he refuses to tak hir to be ais wyfe, he shall be mulcted in ye summe of ane undis or less as his estait moit be, except and anvis gif he can mak it appear that he is betrothit to aine ither woman that he shall then be free."

Another law of Scotland fixes the penalty

Another law of Scotiand fixes the penalty of refusal at the price of a slik dress or its equivalent in coin, provided the gentleman can not bring proof that he is "betrothit to alne ither woman."

It is not recorded if any maiden lady took advantage of her privileges. It may safely be said that no maiden of our day puts herself in the way of refusal. But, ladies, however the case may stand, your chance to propose is four years ahead, now. KING'S DAUGHTEBS.

About forty of the friends of the "King's About forty of the friends of the "King's Daughters" gathered, on the last day of the old year, at the residence of Mrs. S. J. Jones to watch for and welcome the new year. Delicate refreshments were served and the evening was most er joyable to all. The "King's Daughters," although numbering few as yet, are increasing, and the good they may do is incalculable. ULM BOWMAN.

On Tuesday, January 1st., an elegant wedding occurred at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Lockey, on Eighth avenue and Raleigh street. A large number of friends assembled to witness the marriage of Mr. A. L. Uim, of the Sun River country, and Miss Etta Bowman, a niece of Mr. Lockey. The groom is a prosperous ranch owner and both have hosts of friends who found pleasure in testifying their good-will by rich and costly wedding gifts. The ceremony was performed by Rev. C. B. Allen, Jr., after which a dainty wedding supper was served. The young couple enter at once a home of their own where the good wishes of their friends for happiness and prosperity bid fair to be fulfilled.

HICKSON-REYNOLDS.

The marriage of Fred Hickson, of Elk-horn, and Miss Hattie I. Reynoids, of this city, occurred on Thursday, Jan. 3, at the residence of the bride's mother, on Park avenue, Rev. A. D. Raleigh officiating. Only a few friends were present, but the good wishes of many will accompany the young couple to their future home in Elk-horn.

An old-fashioned serenade upon most miscellaneous musical (?) instruments was tendered them after the ceremony by enthusiastic and noisy friends.

PIONEER CLUB DANCE.

loneer club gave their so on Friday night at Assebmiy hall. An unusually large attendance enjoyed the dancing and the ball proved fully as pleasing as the dances which have made this club famous for its hospitality throughout the famous for its hospitality throughout the territory. Rossner's orchestra furnished music. There were present: Mr. and Mrs. James P. Porter, Mr. and Mrs. N. J. McConnell, Mr. and Mrs. Green Preuitt, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Child, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Sands, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Gans, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Webb, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lehman, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lehman, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Zimmerman, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Brunell, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Sweitzer, Mr. and Mrs. James Barker, Misses Child, Davenport, Rumley, Sligh, Green, Briscoe, Smith, King, Brook, Speir Crounse an i Kleinschmidt, Messrs. George Child, Ben King, Judge Bach, T. B. Kirkendall, Harry Child, Charles McCreary, J. S. Keerle, James U. Sanders, Horace B. Kane, Ben Loeb, A. M. Thornburg, A. Krigbaum, Don Davenport, J. D. Carnochan, J. Morlarity, Walter King, H. J. Cassidy, W. Rumsey, J. K. Gunn, J. Genzberger, and others. and others.

NEW ENGLANDERS MEET.

The Yankees of Helena met Friday evening to discuss the merits of the sons of New England who have rendered valuable New England who have rendered valuable service to the country. The subject was so interesting, and so much was found to say, that the question is to be further considered at the next meeting, January 18. The names of Daniel Webster, William Lloyd Garrison, Benjamin Franklin and Dr. Jackson, the discoverer of the uses of ether, were introduced, and there will probably be others brought up for discussion. Miss Jennie Tonn gave a recitation, "The Organ Builder."

The following new members were elected: Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Sanford, Mr. and

Mrs. L. N. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Grant,
Mrs. Stevens, Mrs. Matt W. Alderson, Mrs.
Titton, John Stedman, William Dolliver

The club is as enterprising and active as New Englanders generally are, and they are already looking orward to a good time in the celebration of Washington's birth-

Took A STRAW RIDE.

The young people of Helena have been very gay for a few days and, besides the toboggan rides, have had two or more straw ride. Thursday and Friday evenings a merry party, protected from the cold by heavy fur robes and plenty of straw in which to burrow with their feet, drove about the streets, announcing their approach by blowing tin horns. The party was composed of the following: Misses Mamie O'Brien, Josephine and Annie Herrman, Luella Haskell, Azie Milis, Lillie McLeod and Alice Langhorne, Harvey English, Theo, Rinda, Morris and Leon Boyer, Milton Gamer, Horace Beckwith, Arthur Pitts and Howard O'Brien.

DINNER GOWNS. TOOK A STRAW RIDE.

DINNER GOWNS. This season's dinner gowns are very elaborate. One of the latest is of soft, thick silk of a bebe-blue shade upon which, in delicate relief, are brocaded figures in two or three shades of pale gold. Long, narrow, open sleeves cover small, close sleeves of cream-colored crepe de chine. There is a long train. The gown front has long, flowing draperies of cream crepe

There is a long train. The gown front has long, flowing draperies of cream crepe with a deep border running across the hem embroidered in art stitches in many shades of brown and green.

Another unique dinner gown is of rose crepe de chine combined with moss green plush embroidered with topaz stones.

PERSONAL.

S. A. Balliet is back from his New Year's isit to Butte. Mrs. L. T. Evans, of Bozeman, is visit-

Hon. C. P. Blackeley, of Bozeman, was in the city yesterday on business. Mrs. E. C. Babcock is entertaining Mrs. chultz, wife of Dr. William Schultz, of Butte.

Miss Kate Winston, of Marysville, is the guest of Miss Elia Cooney, at 596 Breck-enridge street.

Mr. and Mrs Will Humbert are in the city, at the residence of Hon. Joseph Davis, on Ewing street.

Miss Maude Caven has returned from Jefferson City where she visited during the holidays with relatives.

Miss Mary V. Parkinson, of Boulder, of Boulder, will resume in a day or so her studies at the Helena Business College. Mr. S. Jones has almost entirely recovered from her fall on Broadway, which at first threat-ned to cause serious inconven-

Miss Mary B. Hill resumed her duties at the College of Montana, Deer Lodge, after spending the holidays very pleasantly in this city.

The family of L. H. Hershfield xpect soon to leave for the East. They will probably occupy their home in New York during the winter.

Mrs. Chadwick entertained, during the holidays, her sister, Miss Fannie Ewing, formerly a teacher in our city schools, now engaged in the public school at Great Fails.

Miss Clara Roberts, who has been idea. Miss Clara Roberts, who has been iden-tified with the Butte Miner for a long time left Butte Thursday to join her parents in Seattle, W. T. Miss Roberts was a favor-ite among Helena people as well as the so-ciety people of Butte.

FATE OF A COLLEGE GRADUATE.

An Experiment in Railroading in Dako a that Wasn't a Howling Success

New York Tribune: Why don't college men do well out in Dakota? Because the country's too big for 'em; they can't fill up the room out there. I'll tell you one reason the natives don't take to 'em. We built a railroad out there, me and Bill Slearey-we're a progressive crowd out in Dakota-one of the finest roads you ever saw. It was only 100 miles long, and 100 miles ain't much in Dakota, but it was a railroad from top to bottom. We'd made a pile of money, me and Bill, and we about owned Zero valley, and when the country began to get settled we said we'd give 'em a railroad, and we did. That railroad cost

began to get settled we said we'd give 'em a railroad, and we did. That railroad cost a heap of money, but it was worth it. We didn't stop at nothing to make it first-class. "The Zero Valley and Iceborough Railroad," we called it. Cars, all iniaid and veneered, yellow plush cushions on the seats, and everything tiptop. I wanted to have silver mountings on all the seats, but Bill wouldn't have that. He's a thinker, Bill is, and he thought that when trainrobbers stopped the train they'd tear the cars to pieces, so we let it go at nickel.

Well, I wanted a regular eastern road, with brakemen to call out the stations. They don't generally do that in the west, you know. I sent east for brakemen, and I ordered college graduates, for I was going to have everything the best. I had 'em sent out there all trained up ready for the first trip. They was as fine a looking set of boys as you'd want to see. When I got'em into their blue uniforms, with their gold buttons and silver badges, they did look encouraging. I was pleased now, I tell you, and I said to Bill the morning we was going to pull out on the first trip: "Bill, this a great country; we beat the world on everything we tackle."

Bill wasn't so cheerful. He ain't a feather-brained man, you know, and he didn't often let his feelings run away with him. I never knew him to warm over anything but Injuns. He did used to get a little worked up over them critters in the early days. Well, he said he hoped everything would turn out all right, but he wasn't going to yell before he got out of the woods.

"We had a crowd on the first trip."

"We had a crowd on the first trip.
Everybody was there. Everything worked
well when we started. But the thing I
wanted most was to hear the brakeman wanted most was to hear the brakeman call out the station. That was what I was waiting for. I had white posts put up just where I wanted him to open the door and shout out the station. I began to get nervshout out the station. I began to get nervous when we got near Bee-at-riss. "Beatrice," some people call it. I don't object to that if people like it, but we always pronounce it Bee-at-riss out there, to rhyme with mattress, you know. Bee-at-riss. We named it after Sheriff Bowle's little girl. As I said, I began to get nervous when we got near Bee-at-riss. I was afraid he'd forget about the white post, and I didn't want to have the whole thing spoiled.

spoiled.

But he remembered it, and my heart jus jumped when he drew the door open sud-denly. Then that infernal college dude screamed out "Bay-a-tree-chay! Bay-a-treechay! This station is Bay-a-tree-chay."

I went into the telegraph office and telegraphed down to Friezedale for the lynching party. And that's why you see so many college men's graves out in Dakota, young man.

An 'Anglo-German Steel Ring,"

The Pall Mail Gazette is responsible for the statement that "an agreement has been come to between the steel rail manufacturers of Europe and Germany, under which the former have engaged not to tender in the German and the latter not to tender in the Euglish markets. In support of this supposition it is pointed out that during the past month no foreign tenders have the past month no foreign tenders have been sent for the important railway contracts offered in Germany, and that the Berlin, Cologne, Madgeburg, Erfurt, Breslian and other railway authorities have therefore been restricted to offers from the German works. The tendered prices have been snecessively advanced from £5 14s. 3d to £5 14s. 9d., £5 17s., £5 19s., £6, and finally, in the case of the Berlin contracts, to £6 1s. 6d."

Oure for Sick Headache, If you want a remedy for biliousness, pimples in the face, and a sure cure for sick headache, ask R. S. Hale & Co., the druggists, for a free sample of Dr. Gunn's Liver Pilis. Only one for a dose; full box

Prof. Geffecken, who has been in custody on the charge of being responsible for the publication in the Deutche Rundschau of the diary of the late Emperor Frederick, has been released and the prosecution abandoned.

When you desire a pleasant physic try St. Patrick's pills. They can always be depended upon, and to not nauseate the stomach nor gripe the bowels. For sale by H. M. Parchen & Co.

Persons troubled with chronic diarrhoea or subject to bowel complaint in any form, should try Chamberlain's colle, cholera and diarrhoea remedy. Many chronic cases that had resisted all other treatment have been cured by it. For sale by H. M. Parchen & Co.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria. SPECIAL NOTICES.

Syrup of Figs Oleanses the System. Syrup of Figs is Pleasant and Effective. Use Syrup of Figs for Constipation.

THE MARKETS.

STOCES,

New Youn, Jan 5 .- Bar silver, 92%. Copper-Stagnant; lake and January, \$17.50. Lead-Easier; unactive.

The stock market was not so dull to-day as It as been on some previous Saturdays, but it was sevoid of feature, and the result of the day's aneactions is to leave almost everything but slightly changed. The advances are in a small majority, but are confined to fractions. Govern-

ments du't and heavy.

Petroleum opened steady at 80% and after a slight decline in early trading railled and closed strong at 80%. Total saice, 834,000 barreis.
Government bonde, 4s, 126%; 44%s, 186%; Northern Pacific, 20%; preferred, 50%; Oregon Improvement, 12. Oregon Navigation, 92; Transcontinental, 30%; Union Pacific, 64%.

Money on calleasy 20%; last loan at 3. Prime mercantile paper, 5656%. Sterling exchange duli but steady at \$4.54% for sixty-day bills, and \$4.88% for demand.

LIVE STOCK.

Chicago, Jan. 5 —Cattle—Receipts, 3,000; steady; choice beeves, \$4.50@4.50; steers, \$2.50@4.50; steers, \$2.50@4.50; steers, \$1.50@5.50; Rogs—Receipts, 11,000; strong to higher; mixed, \$5.0@5.25; heavy, \$5.06@5.50; Right, \$5.00@5.50

Curaso, Jan. 5.—Close— Wheat—Weaker; cach, 98%: February, \$1.00%; May, \$1.01%. Curi—Steady; cach, 33.5-16; February, 34%; May, 36 11-16 Outs - teady; cash, 24%; February, 25%; May, Fork Pirmer; cash \$12.15; February, \$13.05; May, \$13.25, Lard Firm; cash, \$7.45; February, \$7.47%; May, \$7.65%.

Be Sure

If you have made up your mind to but Hood's Sarsaparlila do not be induced to tal worthy imitation, tells her experience be "In one store where I went to buy Hood Sarsaparilla the clerk tried to induce me lea their own instead of Hood's; he told me their would last longer; that I might take it on ter

To Cet

days' trial; that if I did not like it I need not my anything, etc. But he could not previ on me to change. I told him I had taker lood's Sarsaparilla, knew what it was, w atisfied with it, and did not want any oth-When I began taking Hood's Sarsapar was feeling real miserable with dysper

Hood's

tion. Hood's Sarsaparilla did me so band ELLA A. GOFF, 61 Terrace Street, Boston.

Sarsaparilla

100 Doses One Dollar

OF HELENA.

Pioneer National Bank OF MONTANA.

ORGANIZED IN 1868.

Designated Depository of the United States.

Paid-Up Capital -Surplus and Profits -\$500,000

BOARD OF DIRECTORS. John C. Curtin, S. T. Hauser. R. S. Hamilton, A. M. Holter,

Granville Stuart, C. P. Higgins, K. W. Knight, A. J. Davis, T. H. Kleinschmidt, Henry M. Parchen, T. C. Power.

General BANKING Business transacted. Printerest paid on time deposits.

Notice to Stockholders

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the stockholders of the Helena Steam Power and Lighting Company will be held in the pariors of the First National Bank in the city of Helena, in the county of Lewis and Clarke, Territory of Montana, on Wednesday, the sixth day of February, A. D. 1889, at 7:30 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of considering and voting upon a proposition to increase the capital stock of the company from the sum of fifty th usand dollars to the sum of one hundred thousand dollars. All stockholders are requested to be present in person or by proxy.

E. W. KNIGHT.

E. W. KNIGHT. H. M. PARCHEN. R. H. KLEINSCHMIDT. HERMAN GANS, Trustees.

CHICAGO & NORTHWESTERN

RAILWAY IS THE DIRECT ROUTE TO

CHICAGO, NEWYORK

Boston, Philadelphia, AND ALL EASTERN CITIES

-VIA-

Omaha and Council Bluffs.

It is absolutely the shortest and best line to Chicago and the East.

It offers every facility for Quick, Safe, and Comfortable transit to the traveler.

It stands second to none in the West, and offers inducements and advantages that are not and cannot be offered by any of its competitors.

The celebrated Northwestern Dining Cars and best of everything that belps to make a journey over the old Northwestern pleasant and comfortable. Passengers who consult their own interest will avariably purchase tickets over this popular and ligable route.

THE

New York Dry Goods Store

WILL COMMENCE

A MONSTER

Reduction

At the Conclusion of their Inventory

lanuary 14th,

Values Will Be Swept Away. Profits Will Be Swept Away. Surplus Stock WIII Be Swept Away.

GRAND OPPORTUNITY.

New York Dry Goods Store, CORNER MAIN AND IBRIDGE.

MERCHANIS National Bank

Paid in Capital - - \$150,000 Surplus and Profits - 100,000

L. H. HERSHFIELD, Pres't. A. J. DAVIDSON, Vice-Pres't. AARON HERSHFIELD, Cash'r.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS THOMAS CRUSE,

M. SANDS, W. D. NICHOLAS, S. S. HUNTLEY, A. J. DAVIDSON MOSES MORRIS, L. H. HERSHFIELD, A. HERSHFIELD W. B. HUDNALL

Collections Receive Prompt Attention.

Purchase Gold and Silver Bullion, Gold Dust and County Securities.

Interest Allowed on Deposits Left for a Specified Time.

A General Banking Business Transacted.

Exchange Sold on the Princi pal Cities of Europe.

MONTANA NATIONAL BANK, HELENA, MONTANA.

UNITED STATES DEPOSITORY.

DIRECTORS:

C. A. BROADWATER.......President
A. G. CLARKE.....Vice-President
E. SHARPE........Cashier
S. E. ATKINSON......Assistant Cashier
C. W. CANNON HERMAN GANS, S. C. ASHBY, H. F. GAI R. C. WALLACE.

MILLINERY At Cost

No. 12 Warren St.

HELENA LUMBER CO.

Rough **Finishing** Lumber and AND FACTORY WORK

Orders by Mail will receive Prompt Attention. Correspondence solicited. Yard and Factory near N. P Depot.

INO. STEINMETZ,

Diamonds, watches, Fine Jewelry

- - - HELENA, M. T. MAIN ST.

MONEY SAVED

DIAMONDS and WATCHES Of All GradeS and Makes At RINGWALD'S, Op. Cosmopolitan Hotel, Main St.

\$1000 for a Wife!

WIFE THE CASH OLDING CASE entrained at OUSEFUL ARTICLES for Bonnette Land 10 and 10 for Bonnette Lorent State of Control of WORLD MANFG. CO., 122 Nassau Street, N. Y.

THE

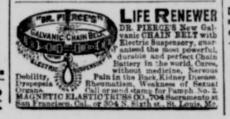
Thos. Cruse Savings Bank

OF HELENA.

Incorporated Under the Laws of Montana.

Paid in Capital, \$100,000. THOS. CRUSE President
T. H. CARTER Vice President
E. J. CARTER Secretary
C. L. DAHLER Treasurer

Allows 6 per cent. interest on Savings Deposits, compounded January and July.





Grateful alike to women, children and convalescents. Gives a delicious flavor to ice-water, lemonade or soda-water. Imported and bottled by MIHALOVITCH, FLETCHEP & CO. Cincinnati, O. For sale by DJ. SWITZER, sole agent, Helena, Montana and a'l wholesaie and retail Druggista, Liquor Dealers

and Wine Merchants everywhere.

